

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

1-20. (Cancelled)

21. (Currently Amended) A method of processing ~~process for distributing~~ digital video products ~~with a restriction of at least certain rights of representation and reproduction,~~ comprising:

dividing content of a selected original video sequence into two parts, a larger part and a smaller part, using video processing equipment;

producing a ~~modified~~ main stream in a nominal format of ~~[[a]]~~ the selected original video sequence, ~~said producing comprising dividing content of the original video sequence into two parts, a~~ wherein the main stream is produced based on said larger part of which is used in the modified main stream, wherein the modified main stream cannot be used on standard video reading equipment, and a

producing complementary digital information based on said smaller part, wherein the ~~of which is retained in a publicly inaccessible server within~~ complementary digital information is personalized for respective users ~~each user~~ and is complementary to the ~~modified~~ main stream,

storing the complementary digital information in a server,

distributing the ~~modified~~ main stream to a user in response to a selection by the user, and

sending the complementary digital information corresponding to the ~~modified~~ main stream to the user, in response to information received from the user's equipment upon initiation of viewing the main stream, during viewing of the ~~modified~~ main stream ~~sent to the user.~~

22. (Currently Amended) The method ~~process~~ according to claim 21, wherein said distributing ~~[[of]]~~ the ~~modified~~ main stream further comprises storing digital information that identifies a distributor.

23. (Currently Amended) The method process according to claim 22, wherein the ~~modified~~ main stream contains digital information identifying ~~[[a]]~~ the distributor.

24. (Currently Amended) The method process according to claim ~~[[41]]~~ 43, wherein the standard physical support medium is a DVD disk.

25. (Currently Amended) The method process according to claim 43, further comprising reading the standard physical support medium with an apparatus comprising a user identifier.

26. (Currently Amended) The method process according to claim 21, wherein the selection is received from a personal terminal of the user communicating via ~~with the server~~ by a public telecommunication network.

27. (Currently Amended) The method process according to claim 44, wherein storing the ~~modified~~ main stream at the distribution site is conditional upon transmission of identifying information by the user.

28. (Currently Amended) The method process according to claim 21, wherein at least one of said producing the main stream or said producing complementary digital information ~~modifying the original video sequence~~ comprises performing processing specific to a distributor designated by the user in the user's selection.

29. (Currently Amended) The method process according to claim 28, wherein the server is connected to a database in which ~~each specifies~~ the processing specific to the distributor is associated with an identifier of the distributor to which a resulting ~~modified~~ main stream is transmitted.

30. (Currently Amended) The method process according to claim 43, wherein said distributing comprises forwarding the standard physical support medium to the user by a

distributor, and wherein said sending comprises, during use of the standard physical support medium obtained from the distributor, sending the complementary digital information as viewing of the video stream progresses.

31. (Cancelled)

32. (Currently Amended) The method process according to claim 21, wherein at least one of said producing the main stream or said producing complementary digital information comprises performing ~~[[a]]~~ processing specific for ~~[[each]]~~ a respective user who selects the original video sequence.

33. (Currently Amended) The method process according to claim 32, wherein the server is connected to a database in which ~~[[each]]~~ the processing specific for the respective user ~~processing~~ is associated with ~~[[a]]~~ the respective user.

34.-35. (Cancelled)

36. (Currently Amended) A system for distributing digital video sequences comprising:
a video server, comprising a video bank containing video sequences, and an analysis device ~~the video server~~ configured to produce a ~~modified~~ main stream in a nominal format of a selected original video sequence from the video bank~~[[,]]~~ by dividing the content of the original video sequence into two parts, a larger part of which is used in the ~~modified~~ main stream, ~~wherein the modified main stream cannot be used on standard video reading equipment~~, and a smaller part of which is retained in the server within complementary digital information personalized for respective users ~~each user~~ and complementary to the ~~modified~~ main stream, wherein the video server is further ~~is~~ configured to send said complementary digital information to a user, in response to information received from the user's equipment upon initiation of viewing the main stream, during viewing by the user of the ~~modified~~ main stream, and
at least one piece of distribution equipment configured to receive the ~~modified~~ main stream from the video server and to distribute the ~~modified~~ main stream to one or more users

who request the original video sequence.

37. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 36, wherein the at least one piece of distribution equipment comprises a device including ~~comprising~~ a DVD burner and conditional means of accessing a burned DVD containing a ~~modified~~ main stream corresponding to a video sequence selected by a user from the video server.

38. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 36, wherein the at least one piece of distribution equipment and the server are integrated in a single system ~~locally interconnected without a link via a telecommunication network~~.

39. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 36, wherein the at least one piece of distribution equipment comprises a printer to print an information product.

40. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 36, wherein the at least one piece of distribution equipment comprises an automaton/device for distribution of recording supports.

41. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 36, wherein the at least one piece of distribution equipment is coupled to receive from the server at least a ~~modified~~ main stream and is configured to store the ~~modified~~ main stream.

42. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 41, wherein the at least one piece of distribution equipment comprises a recording device to record the ~~modified~~ main stream onto a standard physical support medium.

43. (Currently Amended) The method ~~process~~ according to claim 21, wherein said distributing comprises recording the ~~modified~~ main stream on a standard physical support medium.

44. (Currently Amended) The method ~~process~~ according to claim 21, further comprising storing the ~~modified~~ main stream at a distribution site.